

# WHAT TO WEAR

Is the one question of absorbing interest in the minds of women these Autumn days—and how satisfactorily

## THE MINOR STORE

Answers it! Whatever is right in the eyes of exacting fashion is here. Whatever is true to the styles most in vogue, and greatest in favor with the ultra-fashionable world is here—and in marvelous variety—affording a range of price and choice broad enough to meet the desire of every purse and taste. We deem these stocks as near perfect as it is possible to make them. From every fountain head we have gathered the choicest materials and brought them to our spacious and well-lighted departments that you may have advantage of selecting not inferior to those presented by the great Eastern houses. Nor do the benefit end here—there is a decided price advantage, for our plan is not to mark an article as high as it could probably be sold for, but as LOW AS WE CAN POSSIBLY AFFORD TO SELL IT.

### The Newest in Dress Goods, The Latest Weaves in Latest Colors.

Much could be said regarding these new Weaves and Colorings, but you know that they are here, and we invite you to come and see them. It is impossible to describe the many beautiful Fabrics in the limited space of a newspaper announcement. The new Leather Browns, Onion Skin, Burnt Orange, Mandarin, Parsi Blue and Emerald Greens are attracting a great deal of attention, and we are showing these favorite shades in many beautiful Cloths. The following attractive lines with their attractive prices should interest you. Many are special:

Drap Laraine's in Suit Cuts, only.....\$ 8.00 to \$10.00  
Crepe de Laine, from.....10.00 to 18.00  
Nub Cheviots, from.....6.50 to 15.00  
Imported Novelty Suit Patterns, exclusive design.....10.00 to 20.00  
Scotch Mixtures, from.....45c. to \$1.50 yd.  
Mohairs, in all Qualities and Colors.....50c. to \$1.00  
Melrose in Black and Colors.....50c. to \$1.00  
Prunellars in all shades, worth \$1, price.....45c. to 70c.  
Mannish Suitings, from.....75c. to \$1.19, \$1.30, \$2.00  
Broadcloths at.....45c., worth 50c.  
Cravats, Melton, Kerseys, etc.

### BLACK GOODS.

Drap de Laine, Melrose, Poplins, Repps, Silk and Wool Crepes, All but Ross, French Serges, Cheviot Serges Sponged and Shrunken, Bouclay Cheviots, Silk finished and Silk Warp Henrietta, Granites, Mohairs, Ladies' Cloth, etc.

### SILKS.

Chiffon Taffetas, Liberty Chiffon Taffetas, Peau de Soie, Crepe de Chine, Checks and Stripes for Shirt Waist Suits, Lining Taffetas, all colors, at 35c.

### NEW LINING.

PRES DE SOI—all colors, 36 inches at 50c. Sold in Sumter by the Minor Store only.

### WOMEN'S READY-TO-WEAR GARMENTS.

A showing of the beautiful new Apparel which fashion's most critical followers will wear this season. We take much pride in presenting them, for seldom have garments expressed so much style, so much grace and so much material worth. The best thoughts of the world's cleverest designers are embodied in these garments. They constitute the most superb stock of Women's Outer Attire it has ever been our pleasure to present and your privilege to see. It may not be your intention to buy at present, nevertheless we want you to visit the department and see just what is to comprise the wardrobe of the faultlessly dressed woman this fall. Our popular-price methods are even more pronounced than formerly.

OUR CHILDREN'S DEPARTMENT.—We remembered the little folks and have a department specially for them, stocked with all the newest and prettiest things. Cloaks from \$1 to \$10. Capes from 25c to \$10.

### On Our Millinery Department.

Day by day our stock of Fall Millinery is growing stronger and more fascinating and in a few days will be more beautiful and comprehensive than any ever shown in Sumter. Tailor Hats from Gage and other high-class makers; Dress Hats from Berry & Webb, 5th Ave., N. Y.; Sullivan, Drew, Jas. G. Johnson, etc., and many French Patterns will be shown, making as a whole a charming array. Miss Louise B. Edwards of New York, assisted by half a dozen able assistants, is working hard to please you.

### Kid Glove Special.

We have just received a large shipment of the Famous Empress Gloves in all sizes and colors. The Empress sells the world over at \$1 a pair and are guaranteed. The price at the Minor store is.....89c

### The New Laces and Trimmings

Are attracting lovers of the beautiful and exclusive prices appeal to those who would have the best at economical figures. We went into the nearest and most remote markets in exhaustive research for every worthy novelty—and our showing is a splendid testimonial of our success. As nowhere else you will see here Laces of Guipure, Venice, Alencon, Irish Crochet, Chantilly, Oriental, etc., black, white, Arabe and butter shades, in Bands, Galloons, Insertions, Edges and Allovers. Also Dress Trimmings and Garmentures in Jets, Spangles, Silver, Gold, Silk, Mohair, Persian and Applique in Bands, Edges and Galloons and all at popular prices.

### Every Department

In both our stores, 14 and 16 South Main street are full to overflowing with the choicest things for Fall and Winter wear.

## THE MINOR STORE,

Sumter, S. C.,

Sells Shoes for the whole Family.

## McLeod's

## GRAND OPENING

YESTERDAY,  
TO-DAY,  
and  
TO-MORROW,

And Everyday, all the  
year round, is our Great  
Opening and Display of

DRY GOODS, SHOES, HATS,  
CLOTHING,

AND EVERYTHING EXCEPT GROCERIES—EVERY-  
BODY COME—ALL WILL BE TREATED FAIRLY,  
AND EVERYBODY WILL BE SURPRISED AT THE  
PRICES.

100 Pairs Ladies' \$1. Kid Gloves for.....45c.  
100 Mens' \$1. Shirts for.....25c.  
100 Ladies' \$1., \$1.50, \$2. Hats for.....75c. and \$1.  
100 Pairs Ladies' \$2. and \$3. Shoes for.....95c.  
500 other things at half-price.

J. W. McLEOD,

S. I. TILL,  
MANAGER.

### The Minor Store, A City in Itself.

### PORTIA SHOES

Set the pace in these United States. The MINOR STORE sells them and guarantees every pair.

### A WORD ABOUT CORSETS.

The president of the Dressmakers' Protective Association frankly said at a recent meeting, "A woman may be dressed with the severest simplicity, with the slightest expense, and yet be stylishly gowned if she wears the correct corset." It is interesting to note that the correct corset used to demonstrate the new styles at this same meeting was the

### C. B. a la Spirite.

The highest type of the American Corset Makers' Art. The C. B. a la Spirite Corsets are made in a large range of styles, adapted to the varied requirements of different figures, and affording the opportunity for satisfying individual taste. The new straight front has won unqualified approval and gets to advantage both those of slender build and those inclined toward embonpoint. It adds rounded contour to the former, reduces the proportions of the latter, and with any figure gives the advantages of beauty and hygienic arrangement by lengthening the waist line in front and establishing a correct poise of body.

We sell C. B. a la Corsets, and guarantee them.  
Price \$1 and up.

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Dealer in  
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I make a specialty of WEDDING and HOLIDAY PRESENTS and always carry a handsome line of

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Being in close touch with the very best markets, I am better prepared to handle the trade than ever before, and I therefore invite an inspection of my stock. Remember I am opposite the Court House. Come to see me when you want

Hardware, Stoves,  
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Harness, Saddles,  
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My Store is headquarters for Guns, Pistols, Powder, Shot, Shells and the very latest in Sporting Goods.

### Devos's Paints.

I also handle large quantities of other Paints and Oils, and Window Glass For Engine and Mill Supplies there is no better place to buy. Come and examine my large line of Cooking and Heating Stoves. Every Stove bought from me is warranted.

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SUMTER, S. C.

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Ten thousand tons now offered for sale.

Nitrate of Soda,  
Muriate of Potash,  
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ARE HEADQUARTERS.  
Get Our Prices, Please.

### LOST BANK BOOKS.

The Way Depositors Are Protected and Made More Careful.

"If we don't have at least five persons every day come in here to give notice of their lost bank book we think it unusual," said a cashier of one of the city banks recently.

"As soon as a book is reported lost a check is made against it in the bank, and the loser is requested to advertise the loss. For from a fortnight to thirty days ensuing no money can be withdrawn on that account unless the book shall be found. If not found the depositor must apply for a new book. Generally an affidavit must first be made that the loser cannot find the book and that it has not been transferred or assigned.

"All this is scarcely necessary, but it makes a bank absolutely safe in respect to that deposit, and it puts the depositor to enough trouble to make him or her careful thereafter. Everything having been performed as outlined, the depositor may get a new book, which means opening a new account, as accounts are never duplicated.

"In my experience of many years I do not recall a case where finders have presented books in hopes of withdrawing money. It would be almost impossible for a person not the owner of the book to withdraw a cent on the account. At the time of the original deposit the depositor, before getting a book, has to answer certain questions which are framed to fix the depositor's identity and to protect the depositor. The depositor must also leave an autograph on the bank register. Whenever money is withdrawn these questions must be answered and the autograph attached to an order. This is an effectual test. Each book is numbered and bears the depositor's name.

"We have been asked if depositors would not be better protected if banks omitted the name from the book and simply numbered it. We can see no advantage in the plan. The plan would defeat the purposes of a thief, for one who would steal a bank book would know the name of the owner, and the withdrawal of deposits is so well guarded that even with the owner's name a finder could not get money from the bank.

"There are probably from 1,200 to 1,500 books lost every year, of which 400 to 500 eventually turn up. That means from one-third to two-fifths of 1 per cent of the whole number of books out disappear, and one-third of that number get back to the owners. Where the rest go is a puzzle not to be solved."—Chicago Tribune.

### Malice and Superstition.

In the middle ages malice and superstition found expression in the formation of wax images of hated persons, into the bodies of which long pins were stuck. It was confidently believed that in that way deadly injury would be done to the person represented. This belief and practice continued down to the seventeenth century. The superstition indeed still holds its place in the highlands of Scotland, where, says a well informed writer, "within the last few years a clay model of an enemy was found in a stream, having been placed there in the belief that as the clay washed away so would the health of the hated one decline."

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Send no money—simply write and try Botanic Blood Balm at our expense. Botanic Blood Balm (B. B. B.) kills or destroys the poison in the blood which causes the awful aches in back and shoulder blades, stiffness, difficulty in moving fingers, toes or legs, bone pains, swollen muscles and joints of rheumatism, or the four breath, hawking, spitting, drooping in throat, bad bearing, specks flying before the eyes, all played out feeling of catarrh. Botanic Blood Balm has cured hundreds of cases of 20 or 40 years standing after doctors, hot springs and patent medicines had all failed. Most of these cured patients had taken Blood Balm as a last resort. It is especially advised for chronic, deep-seated cases, every one who suffers the agonies or symptoms of rheumatism or catarrh while or after taking Blood Balm. It makes the blood pure and rich, thereby giving a healthy blood supply. Cures are permanent. Describe your trouble and writing Blood Balm Co., Atlanta, Ga. A personal trial of Blood Balm is better than a thousand testimonials, so write at once. For sale by The R. B. Loryea Drug Store.

### CASTORIA.

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Signature  
of  
Chas. H. Fletcher

### KEEPING PACE WITH DEMANDS.

This Will Be Truly a Greater State Fair—It Begins on October 28th—Ample Arrangements.

The State Agricultural and Mechanical Society purchased one hundred acres of level land in the southern part of Columbia last spring on which to hold its annual South Carolina State Fair. This change was made necessary because the old grounds were too small to accommodate the large number of exhibitors and visitors who annually attended the great fairs, and the buildings were no longer suitable for the purpose for which they were built. On the new grounds there is room for everything and for everybody, and they are devoted to the agricultural and mechanical exhibits and the transportation lines than the old grounds were. The distance is less than a half mile from the new union depot, and the grounds are reached by several fine roads and by the street car lines, and no trouble will be experienced in handling the large crowds that are sure to visit Columbia. Visitors will find everything brand new this year. The buildings are all modern in construction, large, airy, and comfortable, all one story, with numerous exits and wide aisles. One building is devoted entirely to the handicraft of women, and is separated from the other buildings so that the fair sex may enjoy themselves without interruption. The poultry building occupies a very prominent location and is very large and roomy. The live stock barns are so arranged that all visitors can safely and conveniently pass through all of them and see all the stock at any time, and the management specially requests that visitors avail themselves of this opportunity.

The regulation mile race track is located in the southern part of the grounds, and is a beauty. The races may be viewed from the Fair grounds if it be preferred to do so, but a large, comfortable grand stand is located at the finish of the track, where the races can be viewed to much better advantage and with more comfort. The grand stand is not separated from the quarter stretch, but as was the case on the old track, but all are combined under one inclosure, thus increasing the social part of the meet.

The Midway or Pike is located near the main entrances, and will be filled with all the modern shows and attractions, with water from very part of the world, and with people from every part of the world. The athletic games are located just opposite the entrance. Here will be played two excellent games of football during Fair week.

The railroads have offered very cheap rates on account of the first Greater State Fair and they will run most convenient schedules from all sections of the State. In view of all the attractions that will be best arranged for, there is no risk in saying that the large crowd of last year will be doubled this fall, and that this great gathering will be more easily accommodated than in any former year. Every one ought to attend the only big fair and social event in the State.

Kodol Dyspepsia Cure  
Digests what you eat.

## Our Carpet Department.

At this season of the year every housekeeper is interested in beautifying her home and making it comfortable for the approaching Fall and Winter. In this connection there is nothing more necessary than

### Good Floor Coverings

And our Carpet department offers unusual attractions in this line. If it's Matting you are looking for, we have an excellent line to select from.

Japanese at 15, 18 and 20 cents.

Chinas at 15, 18, 20, 25 and 35 cents.

We picked up several rolls of China Matting in single pieces at

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In Carpets, we have a large and complete assortment from

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Rugs in endless variety and the prettiest assortment of patterns we ever handled, from

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Window Shades in all colors and at prices to suit.

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## SAVE YOUR DOLLARS.

This you can do by seeing and buying from our large stock of

Buggies, Wagons  
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of all styles and best quality. We have a house full of them and must make room for our fall stock.

If it is a NICE BUGGY you want at a right price we have it. If it is a serviceable FARM WAGON, we can supply you and guarantee prices and quality.

In HARNESS we bought the best assortment ever shown here and have the

### Prices to Suit You.

We make good all we say, so you cannot afford to stay away if in need of anything in our line.

We have

A Host of Satisfied Customers,

and will make one of you if you but give us a chance. Come to see us whether you buy or not, you will feel better.

## W. P. HAWKINS & CO.

### Fall Announcement!

To Our Clarendon Friends:

OUR BUYER is now on the Western markets. This means a choice car of HORSES and MULES to arrive about THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 22. High class harness and saddle Horses and good allround Farm Horses and Mules.

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### White Hickory Wagons,

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### Car of Columbia Buggies.

This justly popular buggy is even better if possible than ever. Every buggy warranted. The next time you are in town see our Buggy and Harness, two for \$35.

A few One and Two-Horse Wagons at less than manufacturer's prices. Fully warranted.

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Buggy and Wagon Harness, Laprobes and Whips, Lime, Cement, Hair, Terra Cotica Pipe, Stove Flue and Building Material generally.

One thousand bushels home-raised South Carolina Rust-Proof Seed Oats.

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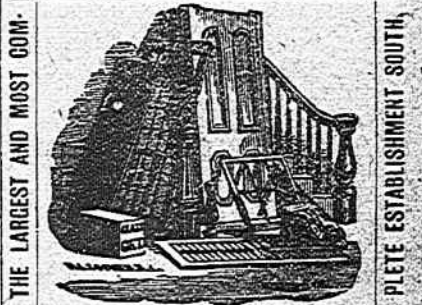
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My horse is lame. Why? Because I did not have it shod by R. A. White, the man that puts on such neat shoes and makes horses travel with so much ease.

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